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EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) In re Application of Robert M. Ford Application Number 09/330,466 For SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR M COMMODITIES TRANSACTION Group Art Unit 2163 Examiner CHOI, K. MAR 1 This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application. The requested extension and appropriate non-small-entity fee are as follows (check time period desired): One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1)) 400.00 Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2)) Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3)) Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4)) Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5)) [X] Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown above is reduced by one-half, and the resulting fee is: $\$_200.00$ A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed. Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached. The Commissioner has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number _50-0988 I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet. I am the applicant/inventor assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71. Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96). attorney or agent of record. attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34(a). Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34(a)_ WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038. 02/28/02 Signature Date John M. Johnson U.S.P.T.O Reg. No. 33,334 02 AUSHAN1 00000089 500988 09330466 Typed or printed name 500.00 CH NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below.

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